

REPORT

DATE: April 11, 2008
TO: Transportation and Communications Committee
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SUBJECT: Platinum Triangle – Anaheim Resort Connector

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL:



RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Recommend including the Platinum Triangle – Anaheim Connector into the Strategic Plan.

BACKGROUND:

In a letter to SCAG dated April 3, 2008 (attached), the City of Anaheim requested that the Platinum Triangle – Anaheim Resort Connector be included in the Strategic Plan of the 2008 RTP. This project calls for an elevated fixed guideway system that will serve a high traffic corridor, linking residents, workers, and visitors between the Anaheim Regional Intermodal Transportation Center (ARTIC), Honda Center and Angel Stadium, The Platinum Triangle high rise office and residential neighborhoods, and The Anaheim and Disneyland Resorts. Alternative alignments and technologies have been identified, and the City of Anaheim is preparing for an Alternatives Analysis/Draft Environmental Impact Statement.

This project is currently not contained in the Constrained or Strategic Plan. However, staff believes this is a viable project that will provide an alternative means of transportation to the local residents as well as tourists in the area and at the same time provide significant economic benefit to the local businesses as well as residents. Inclusion of this project into the Strategic Plan will not jeopardize fiscal integrity or conformity of the 2008 RTP. Therefore, staff recommends that the Platinum Triangle – Anaheim Resort Connector be included in the Strategic Plan.

FISCAL IMPACT:

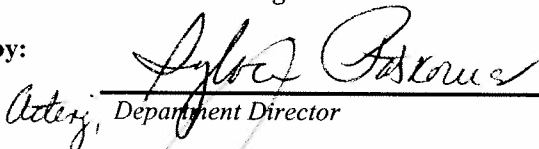
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Reviewed by:



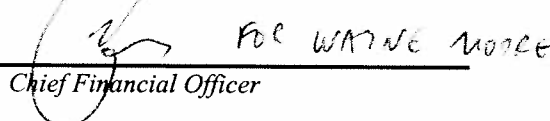
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City of Anaheim
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

April 3, 2008

Honorable Alan Wapner, Chair
Transportation and Communications Committee
Southern California Association of Governments
818 W. Seventh Street, 12th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90017

RE: PLATINUM TRIANGLE – ANAHEIM RESORT CONNECTOR

Dear Chairman Wapner:

The purpose of this letter is to request placement of the Platinum Triangle – Anaheim Resort Connector into the SCAG Strategic Plan. Alternative alignments and technologies have been identified, and we are preparing for an Alternatives Analysis/Draft Environmental Impact Statement.

This planned elevated fixed guideway system will serve a high traffic corridor. It will link residents, workers and visitors between the Anaheim Intermodal Transportation Center (ARTIC), Honda Center and Angel Stadium, The Platinum Triangle high rise office and residential neighborhoods, and The Anaheim and Disneyland Resorts. This system will provide a travel alternative for the forecast 20,000 residents and 27,000 jobs within a one-quarter mile of the alignment by the year 2030.

If you have further questions, please contact Danny Wu, Acting Transit Manager, at 714-765-5183.

Sincerely,

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